American Women Abroad,

Foreigners have long ceased to be surprised at the small army of Ameran women that leave their husbands at home for a year or two, as if it were the most natural thing in the world. They can not begin to understand the social system that allows of it, and maintain that with all the American's superior theories about marriage as the mutual choice of the ones interested, there is apparently no home life among us, and not the binding ties that succeed with marriages on the continental plan arranged entirely by the parents. Neither the Germans, Russians, English, nor any other nation, sends its wives and mother roaming about the Continent for a year at time without their lords and masters; while the number of American women away from their legal homes are beyond counting, since they have run up into the thous- ands. The queer thing is that these women have not separated from and have not ceased to be good friends with their husbands, and they bewilder the foreign student of Amercan manners half to death by treating the situation as if it were the most natural thing in the world. Often the plea is that the long absence is for the purpose of having the children learn the languages, but German and French governesses can be had in America for the same that services - command in Dresden or Paris; and

ssians, who speak perfectly all the ropean languages, as a rule, learn them all at home. Certainly the languages are learned at a dear price, when it comes to separating the family, closing the home and teaching the children tongues that they never have the chance to use after their return, unless they are girls who manage to shine in the diplomatic circles at Washington. Mexico is our only foreign neighbor whose language would be of advantage in the practical business life of an average young American ; but did any one ever hear of mothers going in any number to Mexico, or even to Spain, to have the children learn that tongue ? One clever woman here, who was

asked what she was going off to Europe for and leave her husband to play the eligible to all the pretty girls, answered: "That's just what I am going for, to give him a chance to have a good time. Why, he's been was going. I don't know what would getting younger ever since I said I appen to him if I changed my mind now and stayed."- Washington Correspositione St. Louis Globe-Democrat,

Mr. Dunder Gets Two Bundles

" Vhas I arrested " " softly inquired Mr. Dunder as he leaned over Sergeant Bendal's desk yesterday. "Haven't heard of any such thing What's the matter now?

- Vhell, a few days ago a man mit a fundle comes in my place. Vhas I Carl Dunder † I vhas. Dot vhas all right. He prings dot package by ex-press, and der sharge vhas forty cents—sign your name here, and der express company vhas not liable if goods be left more ash six mons. Well ?"

"Vhat you s'pose vhas in dat pun-

"Greenbacks."

"Humph! It vhas a cobble shtone, und dot fellow shwindles me! I vhas so madt I shump oafer der pooltable I like to come and see you aboudt it. but if I do you tells dot Free Press man, and he makes fun of me. Ser

"Maype I whas some lunatic, but I doan' belief him. In two days anoder man vhalks in mit a pundle. Vhas I Carl Dunder ? I vhas. Dot vhas all ight. He prings me dot package, and der shange for fife dollar. "But you didn't pay ?"

Sergeant, I shump on dot man like a cow shump on a leedle sparrow, und in two minutes he vhas sooch a licked feller dot his own mother doan tell who he vhas. He leafs dot pundle and crawls avhay. und vhen my wife comes home she says it whas some shirts for me dot she puys at Metcalfs' ! "

"Dot vhas it, Sergeant. I send Shake to settle mit der feller for \$25, but maype he haf me arrested pe

"Singular," remarked the Sergeant

after a painful silence.

Whell, it shtrikes me like dot, too. Dis vhas a sthrange country. Nopody vhas two times alike, und if you kick somepody it vhas der man who doan' deserve him. Good-bye, Sergeant, if some warrant comes oudt for me and I vhas arrested I like you to be aroundt und say to me dot I vhas all o. k und doan go to Shtate Prison for life."-From The Detroit Free Press.

Upsetting a Preacher's Gravity.

Dr. Patterson was preaching a very earnest discourse and was carrying his congregation with him when an English pug dog crossed the line of his vision. The dog attracted the attention of no one in the auditorium, and there was no reason why it should have attracted the attention of the preacher, but the thought came to him that the dog had its tail curled about as tight as circumstances would permit. Then came the question, if the tail was curled once more what would happen. Would it not be possible to curl the tail so tight as to lift the hinder parts of the dog and start him walking on his fore feet with his tail in the air? All the time he had been going on with his sermon, but when this odd conceit of giving the dog's tail an extra curl came over him he burst into a horse laugh,

The interruption came not only in the Addle of S proposition but in the of a sentence. He broke off ceremony into a laugh that himself quite as much as the gatiani. Unce sta tel he found 1147 y

it very difficult to stop, and although he used his handkerchief and made a pretence of having a paroxysm of coughing, still he laughed till the tears came. Even when he started again on his sermon he found great difficulty in getting away from the idea of that dog's tail, and several times his voice trembled and he had to shake himself as one in a dream .- Chicago Inter-Ocean.

High License Gaining Ground

High License as a method of regulating the liquor traffic in the various States is now acknowledged to be the best and most efficacious yet devised. Prohibition has failed wherever it has been tried, and ever since Judge Brewer's recent decision at Topeka, which declares that the State of Kansas must compensate the owners for the value of property confiscated by the prohibitory enactment, even the friends of prohibition must begin to see that it is not feasible. Kansas and Iowa will doubtless have to fall back on High License as the only means by which the traffic can be regulated. A High License bill has already been introduced into the New York Legislature, and is being supported by some of the leading religious journals.

The Christian Union, for instance, has been collecting statistics and obtaining opinions as to working of the Illinois law, and has practically come to the conclusion that the adoption of a similar law for New York would be the happiest solution of the problem. So popular has the Illinois High License system become that a similar one is even recommended for the province of Ontario by so bitter an American prohibitionist as Mr. Goldwin Smith. He quotes the the suggestions and conclusions of the Christian Union in his paper, the Week, and recommends them to the advocates of prohibition in Canada for their support. Chicago Tribune.

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